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SUBJ: UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL: FINAL SUMMARY

1. SUMMARY - UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL CONCLUDED SIXTH
SESSION MAY 25, HAVING APPROVED REPORTS OF SESSIONAL
COMMITTEES PREVIOUS DAY, AS WELL AS PLENARY RESOLUTIONS
ON DESERTIFICATION AND PROGRAM POLICY AND IMPLEMENTATION.
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EE RESOLUTION ON ECE HIGH LEVEL MEETING NOT INTRODUCED.
SESSION NOTEWORTHY FOR GENERALLY PREVAILING SPIRIT OF
COOPERATION AND COMPROMISE, BOTH AMONG REGIONAL GROUPS
AND BETWEEN DELEGATIONS AND SECRETARIAT. PRESENCE OF
WARREN, DE HANCOCK AND BLUM WELCOMED AS EARNEST OF
CONTINUING US INTEREST IN UNEP. END SUMMARY.

2. GOVERNING COUNCIL CONCLUDED SIXTH SESSION MAY 25 FOLLOWING APPROVAL PREVIOUS DAY OF REPORTS AND DECISIONS OF COMMITTEES I (PROGRAM) AND II (FUND AND ADMINISTRATION), AND PLENARY DECISIONS ON PROGRAM POLICY/IMPLEMENTATION AND FOLLOW-UP TO UN CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION (UNCOD). COMMITTEE REPORTS APPROVED WITH MINIMUM OF DISCUSSION, ALTHOUGH EXDIR TOLBA SUBSEQUENTLY TOOK ISSUE WITH PROLIFERATION OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE DECISIONS AND AMBIGUOUS WORDING OF SEVERAL. HE SUGGESTED THAT IN FUTURE DRAFTING COMMITTEE BE SET UP TO WORK CLOSELY WITH SECRETARIAT ON WORDING AND CONSOLIDATION OF DECISIONS.

3. OMNIBUS DECISION ON PROGRAM POLICY/IMPLEMENTATION COVERED ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, COORDINATION AMONG UN AGENCIES ON THEMATIC JOINT PROGRAMMING, ASSUMPTION BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION (ACC) OF THE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATION BOARD'S (EC?) RESPONSIBILITIES, DISARMAMENT, HABITAT CENTRE, CYCLE OF IN-DEPTH PRESENTATIONS, GC APPROVAL OF PROJECTS AND PERIODICITY/DURATION GC SESSIONS. DISARMAMENT ITEM REFERRED ONLY TO QUOTE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES OF ARMS RACE, INCLUDING WEAPONS WITH HARMFUL IMPACT FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS UNQUOTE. REFERENCE IN EARLIER DRAFT TO QUOTE NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION UNQUOTE DROPPED AS RESULT EXDIR TOLBA'S INTERCESSION. RE THEMATIC JOINT PROGRAMMING, UNEP
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STAFF HAVE REPEATEDLY STRESSED TO USDEL IMPORTANCE OF CLOSE INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION WITHIN USG TO FACILITATE IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCEPT BY GOVERNING BODIES OF ALL INVOLVED UN AGENCIES.

4. HIGHLIGHTS OF DECISION ON FOLLOW-UP TO UNCOD ARE AS FOLLOWS (FULL TEXT BEING SENT BY AIRGRAM):

A) NOTED EXPERTS REPORT ON ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO FINANCE THE PLAN OF ACTION, REFERRED IT TO 33RD GA WITH REQUEST SYG BE ASKED TO SUBMIT VIEWS OF GOVERNMENTS AND REPORT TO 34TH GA:

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B) OPTED TO ENLARGE THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE
UN SAHELIAN OFFICE AND ITS FIELD OFFICE IN OUAGADOUGOU
AS A JOINT UNEP/UNDP VENTURE TO IMPROVE INSTITUTIONAL
ARRANGMENTS FOR COMBATTING DESERTIFICATION IN THE
SUDANO-SAHELIAN REGION;
C) NOTED THE REPORT OF THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP FOR
DESERTIFICATION CONTROL AND URGED EXDIR TO FOLLOW UP
RECOMMENDATIONS OF GROUP'S FIRST MEETING MAY 2 - 5;
D) NOTED WITHOUT COMMENT THE REPORT OF THE SYG ON
ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF SPECIAL ACCOUNT TO COMBAT
DESERTIFICATION. THIS DECISION, TOGETHER WITH COMMITTEE
II DECISION ON SIZE/LEVEL OF DESERTIFICATION UNIT (NAIROBI
7835) REPRESENTED COMPROMISE ON ONLY MAJOR POINT OF CON-
TENTION BETWEEN EXDIR AND WEO COUNTRIES DURING SESSION.
ALTHOUGH EXDIR HAD EARLIER EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH
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COMMITTEE DECISION ON DESERTIFICATION UNIT, HE DID NOT
REOPEN ISSUE IN PLENARY.

5. EXPECTED EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP RESOLUTIONS ON QUOTE
ALL-EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION UNQUOTE (NAIROBI 7237 NOTAL)
NEVER MATERIALIZED.

6. SESSION GENERALLY CHARACTERIZED BY SPIRIT OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WITH BOTH GROUPS MOVING CLOSER IN THEIR PERCEPTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. THIS GROWING COMMUNALITY OF VIEW IS A MEASURE OF UNEP'S SUCCESS IN RAISING LEVEL OF AWARENESS OF LDCS AND DCS ALIKE. FACT THAT WEO MEMBERS MET FREQUENT UNDER ABLE CHAIRMANSHIP OF GREEK DEL TO COORDINATE POSITIONS ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO SMOOTH WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WEO AND OTHER REGIONAL GROUPS. USDEL FREQUENTLY COMPLIMENTED FOR ITS EFFORTS TO SUSTAIN COOPERATIVE SPIRIT.

7. PYESENCE DURING SESSION OF CEQ CHAIRMAN WARREN, HUD ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES DE HANCOCK AND EPA DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR BLUM GREATLY FACILITATED WORK OF US DEL AND UNDERScoreD TO OTHER DELS THE IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES TO UNEP. WARREN'S PLENARY ADDRESS (NAIROBI 7183 NOTAL) TOUCHED ON MANY ISSUES OF CONCERN TO LDC'S, THEREBY CONTRIBUTING TO SPIRIT OF COOPERATION THAT PREVAILED THROUGHOUT MEETING. DE HANCOCK WAS ABLE TO ADVANCE US INTERESTS IN FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS THROUGH MEETINGS WITH OTHER DELS AND UN OFFICIALS WORKING IN SUBJECT AREA. BLUM HOSTED SUCCESSFUL WOMEN'S LUNCHEON FOR MEMBERS FROM GOK, OTHER DELS AND UNEP AND, THROUGH CONTACTS WITH PRC DEL, WAS ABLE TO OPEN POSSIBILITY UNCLASSIFIED

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